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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Johnson
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Group Art Unit No.: 1631
Examiner: Hartter, A.

For: Method And Information System For Non-Random Selection Of Uniform
Structural And Functional Features For Tissue And Plant Product Processing

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

Sir:

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action dated August 29, 2001 (Paper No. 8) (herein referred to as "Office Action").

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 18-0586.

REMARKS

Entry of this Amendment and reconsideration of the subject application in view thereof are respectfully requested.

I. Status of Claims

Claims 1-42 were pending. Claims 10-42 were withdrawn from consideration. Claims 1-9 were rejected.

II. Restriction/election

The examiner divided claims 1-42 into five groups corresponding to what the examiner considered to be distinct inventions: group I (claims 1-9), group II (claims 10-18), group III (claims 19-29), group IV (claims 30-40), and group V (claims 41-42). Applicant affirms the